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THE BRITISH APPLE MARKET

Prices paid for American apples on the Liverpool auction for Wednesday, December 8, show an increasing activity on the part of the trade because of the holiday demand, although offerings of many Virginian apples in overripe condition and with only a small amount of vitality resulted in lower prices for most barreled varieties, according to quotations cabled by Mr. Edwin Smith, the Department's Fruit Specialist in Europe. Virginia Yellow Newtowns topped the market this week; A-2 1/4 inch fruit selling at \$6.75 per barrel, the highest price paid for any barreled variety during the past two months. Available supplies of this variety, however, were very small.

One of the features of the auction was the active demand for New York Rhode Island Greenings and Maine Baldwins. Only light supplies of Rhode Island Greenings were available and these sold speedily at from \$5.84 to \$6.33 per barrel, as compared with \$5.72 to \$6.57 per barrel last week. Maine Baldwins were in moderate supply, A-2 1/2 inch fruit selling rapidly at from \$5.34 to \$6.03 per barrel as against \$4.37 last week.

There was a moderate demand for Virginia York Imperials at from \$4.38 to \$4.37 per barrel, as against \$3.39 to \$4.62 per barrel last week, although supplies of that variety were liberal and the condition variable. Virginia Winesaps, Stayman Winesaps, Ben Davis and Ganos were only in light to moderate supply but the demand was slow because of the extremely variable condition of the fruit. Washington Jonathans and Rome Beautys and Oregon Ortleys were only in moderate supply. The demand for Jonathans showed some improvement but Rome Beautys and Ortleys sold slowly. Supplies of Oregon Yellow Newtowns, Spitzenburgs and Delicious were liberal and the demand moderate. Extra Fancy Yellow Newtowns from Oregon brought \$3.41 per box this week as compared with \$2.93 last week.

The British demand is active for high grade fruit, states Mr. Smith. Nova Scotian apples at the present time are bringing from \$3.41 to \$4.37 per barrel. Supplies of Nova Scotian apples are moderate. Prices of the three varieties quoted for the Copenhagen market were considerably higher than the corresponding quotations at Liverpool but it is noteworthy that the spread between the prices on the two markets was not so great as in previous weeks.

The following table gives the range of quotations for American fruit in Liverpool and Copenhagen on December 1 and December 8, 1926:



## Prices paid for American Apples in Liverpool and Copenhagen

Variety and Grade	Origin	Price	
		Dec. 1, 1926	Dec. 8, 1926
		<u>Per bbl</u>	<u>Per bbl</u>
LIVERPOOL:			
York Imperial, A-2 1/2 in. ....	Virginia	\$ -	\$4.38 - 4.87
A-2 1/4 in. ....	"	3.89 - 4.62	4.38 - 4.74
Ungraded 2 1/4 in. ...	"	3.65 - 4.50	a/
Ben Davis, A-2 1/2 in. ....	"	3.89 - 4.32	4.32
A-2 1/4 in. ....	"	4.50 - 4.68	3.77 - 4.26
Stayman Winesap, A-2 1/2 in. ....	"	3.89 - 4.14 *	a/
A-2-1/4 in. b/ ....	"	a/	3.89 - 4.20
Gano, A-2 1/4 in. ....	"	a/	4.26
Ungraded, 2 1/4 in. ....	"	4.14 - 4.50	a/
Winesap, A-2 1/4 in. ....	"	a/	3.89 - 4.26
Yellow Newtown, A-2 1/4 in. ....	"	a/	6.57
Rhode Island Greening, A-2 1/2 in. .	New York	5.72 - 6.57	5.84 - 6.33
Baldwin, A-2 1/2 in. ....	Maine	4.87	5.84 - 6.03
A-2 1/4 in. ....	"	a/	5.23 - 5.60
A-2 1/2 in. ....	New York	4.26 - 4.99	a/
Jonathan:		<u>Per box</u>	<u>Per box</u>
Extra Fancy, 163/175 .....	Washington	a/	2.68
Fancy, 163/175 .....	"	a/	2.62
Extra Fancy, 163/175 .....	California	a/	2.19
Rome Beauty:			
Fancy, 163/175 .....	Washington	a/	2.19
Yellow Newtown:			
Extra Fancy, 163/175 .....	Oregon	2.98	3.41
Fancy, 163/175 .....	"	a/	2.62 - 2.80
Fancy, 188/smaller .....	"	a/	1.95 - 2.68
Spitzenburg:			
Fancy, 163/175 .....	"	a/	1.95 - 2.25
Delicious:			
Extra Fancy, 163/175 .....	"	a/	2.92
Fancy, 163/175 .....	"	a/	2.92
Ortley:			
Extra Fancy, 188/smaller .....	"	a/	2.07 - 2.55
Winter Nellis Pears .....	Washington	a/	4.62 - 5.35
		Nov. 30, 1926	Dec. 7, 1926
COPENHAGEN:		<u>Per bbl</u>	<u>Per bbl</u>
York Imperial, A-2 1/4 in. ....	Virginia	5.35 - 5.84	4.50 - 5.60
Ben Davis, A-2 1/4 in. ....	"	5.23 - 5.60	4.50 - 5.11
Baldwin, A-2 1/4 in. ....	New York	5.84	a/
Jonathan:			
Extra Fancy, 163/175 .....	Oregon	a/	2.92 - 3.04
Extra Fancy, 163/175 .....	Washington	3.10	a/
Winesap:			
Extra Fancy, 163/175 .....	"	2.92 - 3.10	a/

a/ Not quoted in cable. b/ Poor condition.

